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THE ESSAY COMPETITION.

The advertisement committee of the Board of Trade, with the co-operation of the school trustees and teachers and the city press, announce today an essay competition in which all pupils are invited to participate. Cash prizes are offered for essays of merit in length on the progress of St. John in recent years, what is now required, and for the best way to bring about the desired improvements. It is not a contest in which literary excellence is the first requisite. On the contrary, the sponsors are looking for practical suggestions which may be of assistance in the forward movement now undertaken. And they hold the opinion that from many minds something of real value may be expected.

But more than this, the competition, simple though it may seem, will have a far reaching effect on the people of St. John. It has been hinted that children entering the contest will enlist the assistance of their parents. Perhaps they will—this would hardly be fair to those who rely on their own unaided efforts—but it will be found that in scores, perhaps hundreds, of homes, interest will be created. Men and women who have fallen into the dreary rut of pessimism will be awakened by the interest of their children to a better realization that St. John, after all, has gone ahead in the last decade and that its future is in the hands of the people themselves. This consciousness is a long step in the way of increasing the enthusiasm of the people, and if for no other reason every person having the welfare of the city at heart, should give to the essay competition some share of attention. The contest is open, in its various forms, to all the pupils of the public schools. It will last some six weeks, and will no doubt be productive of the most beneficial results. Particulars given elsewhere in this paper.

JAPAN PREPARING?

A brief despatch in yesterday's papers under St. Petersburg date, stated that developments in the far east are causing some concern in Russia. Diplomats in St. Petersburg, it was stated, are disturbed over the confidential report prepared by M. Giesmer, a member of the industrial delegation of the Council of the Empire, who recently made a tour of investigation in Korea and Manchuria. The report he prepared was regarded as so dangerous that its publication was delayed until the Russian foreign minister could issue a re-assurance of the satisfactory state of Russo-Japanese diplomacy. This note was issued quite recently.

M. Giesmer's report is because of the high reputation of its author, regarded as thoroughly reliable. He holds the view that Japan is again taking the aggressive. He is convinced that the Japanese will use all their strength to drive Russia back from the Korean frontier and that the Anglo-Japanese alliance will be of no avail to stop them. He declares that Japanese statesmen are already arranging an alliance with Germany, and that, if taken at its word, Germany would be the world could hold the English fleet in European waters. In preparation for this policy Japan is improving her economic position which already is sound.

The present year, three harvests are being reaped annually and the food supply is sufficient for a population of 30,000,000, although Japan has only 50,000,000. The war department is preparing a transport service of 20,000 rice-hats and coolies which will be more efficient than horse transport. The spirit of the people is still resolute and there is a general feeling that Russia's position in the east is very unfavorable, even in order to overcome her recent weakness Russia must double back immediately the Trans-Siberian railway and build several other new ones detailed by M. Giesmer. Further, a must construct docks and fortifications on the Pacific and maintain huge garrisons there. She must cultivate friendship with China and have that nation on her side by 1912, when the Japanese dock will be made. The writer interprets Japanese feeling as very dissatisfied with the uncertain results of the last war, and expresses the opinion that another war would be very popular. Japan is ready for it now, the only real difficulty that she has to overcome being the Chinese boycott of Japanese goods and shipping.

Fredericton people are displaying something more than a mild interest in the proposed valley railroad.

Lloyd-George has declared against colonial preference. That appeals his nation before very long. He remarks also that there is no sentiment in business. Thereby he qualifies for the Ananias Club.

Woman in Pittsburg has been asleep for over three months. She awoke once and remarked that she was enjoying an ideal existence. Certainly but is she not overdoing the thing?

Montreal aldermen are permissive men and women and children to die, are watching typhoid spread all over the city, and are taking absolutely no action because they profess to believe the epidemic is largely imaginary and is created chiefly as a newspaper sensation. These days do not have to create sensations, and there is nothing imaginative in the suffering of those hundreds of victims of civic neglect.

Canada's Conservation Commission will meet for organization on Tuesday of next week. The members, including as they do men of all shades of politics and of varied occupations, should be able to accomplish much valuable work in protecting Canada's natural resources from unnecessary destruction.

ST. JOHN IS GOING AHEAD.

¶ The Sun and Star want to help it grow.

¶ Do you?

¶ Will you lend a hand for a boost?

¶ We want a slogan, a phrase of progress, a battlecry—call it what you will.

¶ Something that will boil the gospel of go-ahead down to half a dozen words in a sentence that will hit home like a hammer blow.

¶ Something that the papers can use for a headline or business men on a letter head.

¶ If you can think of a good slogan, send it in.

¶ The Sun and Star will pay \$10 for the best slogan, and \$5 for the next best.

¶ Scores have already been received—all of them good. Send more. The list closes Jan. 14.

THE REASON WHY.

You don't take sauce? Perhaps not, but if you look for it you will find it. It is in the fact that the word "sauce" suggests to your mind a thin, dark, sticky fluid, which, if taken at dinner, runs all over the plate, saturates the vegetables, and eventually leaves a disagreeable burning sensation in the mouth. No wonder that under those circumstances you do not take sauce—but, change the circumstances, and the taste will probably change with it.

A sauce has been introduced by the Midland Vinegar Company of England, which is known as H. P. Sauce, and is quite different to the old-fashioned sauces referred to.

H. P. Sauce has proved an immediate success, and is now used regularly by those who previously never took sauce. It is prepared by blending together the choicest Oriental fruits and spices with pure malt vinegar. The manufacturers' secret process produces a thick, fruity sauce, which, if poured on the side of the plate, can be eaten with the meat like mustard.

H. P. Sauce is also used very extensively in the kitchen, for housekeepers have discovered that old and familiar dishes of which everyone has grown tired become tempting and delicious when enriched and enlivened with H. P.

All family grocers are selling H. P. Sauce. Of course its success has brought many imitations, but if you ask for H. P. and see that these letters appear on each label you will preclude the possibility of being disappointed.

The Ohio police are offering a large reward for the capture of Wm. Davis, alias Owen McCabe, and Frank Hironomous, two prisoners who escaped from the Ohio penitentiary on December 21st. It is thought the men have reached Canada and the police are asked to look out for them.

The annual meeting of St. George's Society will be held this evening in the Eike rooms, Charlotte street. Officers will be elected and the annual reports presented. It is understood that the society has had a very good year. The demands on the charity fund have been much lighter than last year owing, it is said, to the fewer cattle-men stranded here.

Great bargains for men at the January clearance sale at F. W. Daniel & Co.'s, Charlotte street. Warm underwear, hosiery, fur lined and mocha gloves, ties, silk square mufflers, hosiery, "Hudson Bay" working shirts, regatta shirts, etc., etc. See advertisement on page 6.

The Evening Chit-Chat

By RUTH CAMERON

Did you ever stop to realize what a vast pleasure one can get out of successful contriving?

"I just once I could go somewhere without planning and contriving what I should wear, it seems to me I should be perfectly happy. This borrowing sister's wraps and mother's gloves and saving every cent to get a new hat takes away half the pleasure," I heard a girl say the other day.

And she laughed me to scorn when I ventured to suggest that perhaps the opposite was true and that perhaps the planning and contriving really gave instead of taking away, pleasure.

And still I think I'm right.

The pleasure of possession that you purchase by careful planning, that you snatch despite the cautions of your prudence, that you deny yourself something else for, that you wait for and long for and work for weeks or months before you finally obtain it, has a sweetness that can be gained in no other way.

If the time ever comes when my lady of the bewailings does not need to contrive when half a dozen gowns, a choice of evening wraps and a dozen gloves await her pleasure, I think the day will also come when she will look back upon the excitement of producing a successful outfit from the four corners of the earth, and realize that that contriving was a pleasure and as great as one as she can command now despite her wealth.

I remember a queer little example of the joy of contriving.

When I was a little girl my brother and I had a printing press with which we used to print cards for all the children of the neighborhood. We had a rather scanty supply of type and there was often a shortage of "e's." Brother, however, constructed a method of turning the "a's" upside down so that they made quite respectable "e's," and with this addition to our supply we took great pleasure in managing to "get by."

Then one Christmas someone gave us a large supply of type. At first we were sure that this was the one thing on earth we had needed to complete our happiness, and then, strangely enough—or rather naturally enough—we found that along with the need of contriving at least half the fun had gone.

Charles Lamb has an essay nominally on Old China, but really on the joy of contriving—that I think every poor man ought to read.

I'd like to quote it bodily, but since I haven't space I'll just give you two of the best paragraphs:

"When you came home with twenty apologies for laying out a less number of shillings upon that print which we christened the Lady Blanche, when you looked at the purchase, and thought of the money—and looked again at the purchase—was there no pleasure in being a poor man? Now you have nothing to do but to walk to Colnaghi's and buy a wilderness of prints. Yet you do?"

"I wish the good old times would come again when we were not quite so rich. I do not mean I want to be poor; but there was a middle state in which I am sure we were a great deal happier. A purchase is but a purchase now that we have money enough and to spare. Formerly it was but a triumph. A thing was worth buying then when we felt the money that we paid for."

Now I'm not saying that I wouldn't like to be rich. I'm just trying what it's like the rest of the world, in many ways, I wouldn't mind trying what it would be like to have more money than I could possibly use.

But I do believe that I would lose, and that the poor old man possesses, a very great pleasure that the rich never know—the joy of contriving.

Ruth Cameron

The Lighter Side of Life

"It is odd that Jinks keeps expanding his business."

"Why shouldn't he?"

"Because he is a contractor."

"I wonder that dentists call their offices dental parlors."

"Why shouldn't they?"

"A more appropriate term would be drawing-rooms."

"A great deal that you see in print nowadays is dangerous and misleading," said the conservative citizen.

"Yes," answered the dyspeptic; "especially in cook books."

Ethel (calling on her friend) — I didn't know you were one of those athletic girls.

Madge—What do you mean, dear?

Ethel—Look at those rolls over your bureau.

Madge—Fools! Why, those are my hat pins.

Official (collected with in the passage)—What a clumsy ox (recognizing superior)—I am.

"He called me a silly ass. What should I do?"

"You'd better see a vet."

"See here, you swindler!" exclaimed the suburban property-owner, "when you sold me this house you said that in three months I wouldn't part with it for \$10,000."

"Well, you haven't, have you?" demanded the real estate man.

Two little girls were quarrelling.

"You told me a fib," said one. "No, I didn't; it was only a story," was the reply. "There ain't any difference, fib is a story and a story is a lie," was the response. "My papa says so and he is a professor." "My papa says there is a difference, and he is a real estate agent and knows all about living," was the retort.

Our Bridget says the cookbooks smokes. But then it might be worse. If it should chew and drink and swear, its faults she might release.

REGAL OINTMENT

Is strongly antiseptic, destroys and prevents the growth of germs that cause suppuration and by its mild stimulating action starts healthy granulations from the bottom of the wound, thus ensuring a strong tendency to heal without a scar. 25c a Box

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THREE OVERBOARD AT SAND POINT

Two longshoremen, George Carvell and Fred Burns, while at work on a scow load of deals alongside the steamer Empress of Britain yesterday afternoon were thrown into the slip by a number of deals falling from the scow. The men were picked up by sailors from the steamer, who went to the rescue in a lifeboat.

Wm. Boats, an Englishman, while making a line fast, fell from the bridge deck of the steamer Montclair into the harbor. He was rescued unconscious and after regaining consciousness he was removed to his home. The rescue was made by Chas. Vincent, who has saved six lives before.

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FREAK NEWSPAPERS.

One of the most remarkable freak newspapers ever printed was the Laminara, published at Madrid. It was printed with ink containing phosphorus, so that the paper could be read in the dark. Another curiosity was called the Regal, printed with non-poisonous ink on thin sheets of dough, which could be eaten, thus furnishing nourishment for body as well as mind. Le Bon Euro promised those who subscribed for forty years a pension and free burial.

BREAD

Watch This Space

A fresh reason given weekly for choosing

Butter-Nut

DEATHS

DYER—On the 3rd Jan., '10, Susan, beloved wife of Ernest F. Dyer, aged 33 years, at her home, Young's Cove Road.

GOLDSWORTHY.—In this city, on the 11th inst., John Francis, second son of Harry and Mary Goldsworthy, aged 18 months and ten days.

FUNERAL Wednesday at 2.30 o'clock, from his father's residence, 15 Military Road.

(Boston, Halifax and Moncton papers please copy.)

CORCORAN—In this city, on 11th inst., Gerald, infant son of James and Gertrude Corcoran.

Don't You Want A Bargain

Coady's Big Shoe Sale is the talk of the city. Compelled to vacate their store and deciding on withdrawing from business they are sacrificing 10,000 dollars worth of Boots and Shoes and the people are getting rare bargains. It's seldom during the quiet season of the year that business concerns are absolutely unable to cope with the tremendous crowds of eager buyers, but such has been the case on Saturday and all day Monday. That people can have an opportunity of inspecting the bargains being offered **MORNING SHOPPING IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.** Remember not an article is to be reserved. Everything must go. The prices in many cases actually less than original Cost is the lever which is drawing people from all sections of the vicinity.

Coady & Co.

61 Charlotte St.

Plenty of salespeople now and to ensure a full staff in constant attendance Store Will Close each day from 1 to 2.15 o'clock.

Positively no goods on approval.

Cash only.

BANDITS HELD UP

TWENTY; SHOT TWO

Chinese Suspects Both Proven Alibis

Maine Couple Plead Not Guilty—Thru

Killed by Explosion—Railway

Accident—Early a Legger.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Jan. 10.—Two miners were killed today by two bandits, who entered a resort in Crowder, a mining camp near here, and ordered the twenty men in the place to hand over their money. All but Frank Ainslie and George Smith obeyed. Upon their refusal to do so, they were shot dead. The robbers escaped but were later arrested. They gave their names as Albert Craven and Edward Alton. They got about \$200 in the hold-up.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Lau Tang and Lau Shang were acquitted last night of the murder of Bow Kum, the "plum blossom" of Chinatown, who was stabbed to death in her room last August. It was charged that the defendants came here from San Francisco to demand \$1,000 from Chin Lam, the woman's companion, as purchase money and, that on Chin Lam's refusal to pay, they murdered Bow Kum. Both the defendants proved alibi.

ROCKLAND, Me., Jan. 10.—Pleas of "not guilty" were entered in the supreme court by Fred J. James and Mrs. Sadie Newbert, each of whom has been indicted on charges of murder. James is charged with poisoning his six-year-old daughter, Agnes, and Mrs. Newbert is accused of poisoning her husband, Fremont Newbert. The cases are believed to be related.

For John Eaton, indicted for assault with intent to kill, a plea of insanity was made.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 10.—An explosion today wrecked the water gas plant of the Union Gas and Electric Company, hurling portions of the building far away, breaking windows over the west side of the city and killing three men and seriously injuring four others. The loss is \$60,000.

FRESQUER ISLE, Me., Jan. 10.—While crossing the tracks in the yards of the Bangor and Aroostook R. R. here tonight, Herbert Clark, aged 46, was almost instantly killed by a freight train. He leaves a wife and four children.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—John R. Early, upon whose case medical men have been divided, is in reality a leper, according to a decision rendered tonight by a special committee of the Society of Medical Jurisprudence.

TELEPHONE GIRL, ATTACKED,

SUMMONS AID OVER WIRES

Summoning to Drug at Shamokin, Pa. Tells Sunbury Operator, Who Sends Help in Roundabout Way.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Jan. 10.—While Miss Mary Runkle, 15 years old, and her brother William, 10 years, were alone in the United Telephone and Telegraph office here early today, where Miss Runkle was night operator, a strange man entered.

The boy was asleep on a couch. The intruder ran to the girl and pressed a handkerchief saturated with a drug to her nose. The boy awoke and screamed for help. The man ran toward him and was trying to render him unconscious with the drug, when the girl, fast succumbing to the drug, called up Sunbury and said she was being chloroformed.

The Sunbury operator called Selinsgrove and asked the night operator there to have the Bell operator call Shamokin and tell the operator here of the peril of the girl in the local United exchange. The entire transmission of the messages took but a short time, and in less than five minutes after Miss Runkle had sent in her call for help the message had been sent in a roundabout way to a hotel.

At the latter place the night attaches left their posts and rushed from the hinges. They dashed up the stairs and upon entering the room they detected the odor of a strong drug, the effect of which was almost blinding and caused intense pain.

A second later they found Miss Runkle on a chair in front of the switchboard and the brother on the couch. Both were senseless. They were carried to an open window in the rear of the telephone office, and a doctor arrived in a few minutes and found that nitrate of amyle, a powerful drug, had been used by the assailant in overpowering the operator and her brother.

They were driven home and revived after much difficulty. It is supposed that when the intruder realized Miss Runkle had called over the wire for help he immediately fled.

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